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MEMORANDUM

TO: AF - Mr. Moose
AA/AFR - Mrs. Butcher

FROM: D/HA - Patt Derian

SUBJECT: African Refugee Policy

For the past six months, D/HA staff have been working with AF and AFR on African refugee matters as these were given ever increasing priority. Two D/HA officers, for instance, have just returned from an extensive visit to six African countries and Geneva to review these problems on the ground and with the headquarters of UNHCR and ICRC.

In general, cooperation with your staff has been good and, so far, I believe the results have been satisfactory. There have been occasions, however, when messages have been sent or actions taken which affected our responsibilities without clearance with D/HA. I assure you that we do not wish to be bureaucratic and most certainly will give our prompt attention to such a clearance request. We are, however, very much interested and involved in African refugee problems and I would be grateful if you could remind your staff of this fact.

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Clearance:

D/HA - Mr. Carlin *[Signature]*